

REMARKS

Status of claims

Claims 1, 3-12 and 14-20 remain in this application. Claims 1, 3, 12 and 18 are currently being amended. Claims 2 and 13 have been canceled.

Independent claims 1 and 12 have been amended to incorporate the limitations of claims 2 and 13, respectively, thereby obviating the rejection thereof.

CONCLUSION

In view of the amendments and remarks, it is believed that all claims are in condition for allowance, and it is respectfully requested that the application be passed to issue. If the Examiner feels that a telephone call would expedite the prosecution of this case, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned at (508) 416-2475.

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